

UNITED S DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Patent and Trademark Office
ASSISTANT SECRETARY AND COMMISSIONER
OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS
Washington, D.C. 20231

THOMAS C FEIX 241 NORTH SAN MATEO DRIVE SAN MATEO, CA 94401

**COPY MAILED** 

SEP 0 8 1999

In re Application of Rodney M. Shields Application No. 09/267,025

Filed: March 11, 1999

For: IMAGE DISPLAY APPARATUS WITH HOLES FOR OPPOSITE SIDE

VIEWING

SPECIAL PROGRAMS OFFICE DAC FOR PATENTS

: DECISION ACCORDING STATUS

: UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(b)

This is in response to the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b), filed June 28, 1999.

The petition is granted.

Petitioner has shown that the non-signing inventor has refused to join in the filing of the above-identified application after having been presented with the application papers. In addition, petitioner has shown that Creative Minds Foundation has a proprietary interest in the above-identified application with the copy of the assignment of Application No. 08/082,728 which also assigns any continuation-in-part (i.e., the application that issued as U.S. Patent No. 5,609,938). The petition fee has been paid.

This application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(b). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(b) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(b), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the Declaration. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

After this decision is mailed, the above-identified application will be forwarded to Group Art Unit 1772 for further processing.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to the undersigned at (703)306-3159.

Karin Tyson

Senior Legal Advisor

Special Program Law Office

Office of the Deputy Assistant Commissioner

for Patent Policy and Projects





UNITED TES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

**Patent and Trademark Office** ASSISTANT SECRETARY AND COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS Washington, D.C. 20231

Rodney M. Shields 3142 Sweetbriar Court Lafayette CA 94549

COPY MAILED

SEP 0 8 1999

In re Application of Rodney M. Shields Application No. 09/267,025 SPECIAL PROGRAMS OFFICE DAC FOR PATENTS

Filed: March 11, 1999

For: IMAGE DISPLAY APPARATUS WITH HOLES FOR OPPOSITE SIDE

VIEWING

Dear Mr. Shields:

You are named as the sole inventor in the above identified United States patent application, filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 118 (United States Code), and 37 CFR 1.47(b), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as the sole inventor.

As a named inventor you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to the undersigned at (703)305-9285. Requests for . information regarding your application should be directed to the File Information Unit at (703)308-2733. Information regarding how to pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper in the application, should be directed to Certification Division at (703)308-9726 or 1(800)972-6382

★outside the Washington D.C. area).

Karin Tyson

Senior Legal Advisor Special Program Law Office Office of the Deputy Assistant Commissioner for Patent Policy and Projects

THOMAS C FEIX 241 NORTH SAN MATEO DRIVE SAN MATEO, CA 94401